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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This is a Petition to Revive the above-captioned application under 37 CFR §1.137(b) as an unintentional abandonment.

This Application went abandoned on September 10, 2002, with an effective abandonment date of May 7, 2002 for failure to respond to a Final Office Action, which was dated February 6, 2002 with a three-month time period for reply.

For reasons unknown to Applicant's current counsel, Applicant's prior representative became unavailable and unreachable during the pendancy of this application. The U.S. PTO noted on a Notice of Abandonment that it attempted to contact the Applicant's prior representative to no avail. The U.S. PTO mailed the Notice of Abandonment on September 10, 2002. Applicant never authorized the prior representative to abandon the present patent application; therefore, the abandonment was unintentional.

By this Petition, Applicants have authorized the U.S. PTO to charge any fee deficiency to

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Deposit Account No. 14-0112 and respectfully submit the required petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m). Applicant further submits that the entire delay in responding to the Final Office Action until the filing of this petition and its accompanying response to the outstanding office action was unintentional and that no terminal disclaimer is required in this case.

Please charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in connection with this matter to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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